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Commission on Local Government to hold public hearings on annexation study

Richmond – During the 2016 Virginia General Assembly session, the existing moratorium for city-initiated annexation and county declarations of immunity from annexation was extended until 2024. At that time, the Commission on Local Government (CLG) was directed to study annexations and provide a report to the General Assembly by Dec. 31, 2018.

As part of the annexation study process, CLG will be holding public hearings and collecting testimony from the public and other interested parties on the topic. The state is seeking input from the public for the study and will hold the first public hearing on Tuesday, July 12, 2016 at 10 a.m. at the Virginia Housing Center, located at 4224 Cox Road, Glen Allen, Virginia. Any person wishing to testify before the commission at the public hearings may register in advance at (804) 371-8010 or david.conmy@dhcd.virginia.gov.

In addition to the public hearings, electronic and written testimony will be collected. Electronic testimony may be submitted until Sept. 30 to CLGAnnexationStudy@dhcd.virginia.gov. Written testimony must be postmarked by Sept. 30 and mailed to the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development at 600 East Main Street, Suite 300, Richmond, Virginia, 23219.

For more information on the annexation study, visit <u>www.dhcd.virginia.gov</u>.

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